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## **TUCSON DEFENDANT SENTENCED FOR EMBEZZLEMENT FROM CASINO DEL SOL**

TUCSON -- Jesus ("Mark") Eduwiges Alvarez, 39, of Tucson, Arizona, was sentenced August 30 to ten months imprisonment, to be followed by three years of supervised release, by U.S. Chief District Judge John M. Roll, in Tucson. On November 21, 2005, Alvarez pleaded guilty to one count of Theft by an Officer or Employee of a Gaming Establishment on Indian Lands, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1168(b). Alvarez has been in custody since October 28, 2005; therefore, he has served his full term of imprisonment. Alvarez was also ordered to pay \$70,176 to the Casino Del Sol in restitution.

From July 2003, to December 23, 2003, Alvarez was a Session Manager to Patrons at the Casino Del Sol with supervisory responsibilities in the Bingo Operations area. While a Session Manager at the casino, Alvarez would print "complimentary" or "100% Discount" tickets for use in the Casino Del Sol's bingo machines using the computer identification of other casino employees. During November and December 2003, Alvarez printed \$39,044 in "complimentary" or "100% Discount" tickets for use in bingo machines at the casino which he sold to casino patrons without authority, keeping the money for himself. During this period, the casino patrons who bought the illegally obtained tickets obtained winnings of \$31,142 by using the tickets in the casino's bingo machines.

The investigation of this case was conducted by the Pascua Yaqui Police Department and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

The prosecution is being handled by Danny N. Roetzel, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Tucson.

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